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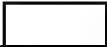
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Chief, WE


13 November 1958

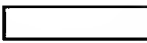
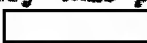
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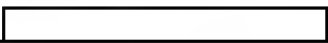
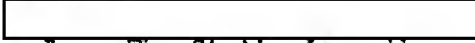
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Living Quarters

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1. I have discussed the local housing in some detail with  and have seen some of the problems involved. One cannot honestly classify this post as a hardship insofar as housing is involved, but the best of  houses leave much to be desired. In the main they are near ancient, generally in need of repair, and heating (required a good part of the year) is most inadequate. Costs for rent and fuel are exorbitant by our standards. Many personnel have spent several months to locate barely suitable quarters, still expensive.

2. In accordance with my recent conversation with  I have advised the Station that the provisions  Series of the regulations on real estate will apply. The Station's authority will no longer be limited to 125 per cent of quarters allowance. The following procedure will be established to insure proper control of housing:

a. A housing board (senior Station officers ) will review each new quarters located and will ascertain that such quarters are acceptable as ODYOKE quarters, fairly priced, not luxurious nor ostentatious and are of a standard comparable to other ODYOKE employees of similar grade status.

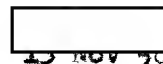
b. Any quarters costing more than 125 per cent of the initial occupant's quarters allowance will be personally inspected by the Chief of Station or the Deputy Chief of Station and a signed memorandum for the record will be filed attesting to the suitability of the quarters for ODYOKE acquisition.

c. Whenever possible, long-term leases (five to ten years) will be obtained to insure continued occupancy. Such leases will contain sublet provisions.

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d. Furnishings will be provided by the Station when unfurnished quarters are obtained or furnishings are deemed incomplete or inadequate.

3. The Station is well aware of the responsibility this authority carries and the necessity for avoiding criticism of KUBARK housing.



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